

## FSD Laboratory 06

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**Aim:** Develop a set of REST API using Express and Node.

### Objectives:

1. To define HTTP GET and POST operations.
2. To understand and make use of 'REST', 'a REST endpoint', 'API Integration', and 'API Invocation'
3. To understand the use of a REST Client to make POST and GET requests to an API.

### Theory:

#### What is a REST API?

A REST API (Representational State Transfer Application Programming Interface) is a set of rules and conventions for building and interacting with web services. It leverages HTTP methods to perform operations on resources, which are typically represented in a web-based system. REST APIs are designed to be stateless and use standard HTTP methods to request or manipulate resources.

#### Main Purpose of REST API

The primary purpose of a REST API is to provide a simple and standardized way for applications to communicate with each other over the web. It enables different software systems to interact using a common interface, making it easier to integrate and exchange data between disparate systems.

Key goals of a REST API include:

- **Simplicity:** It uses standard HTTP methods, which are widely understood and supported.
- **Scalability:** REST APIs are stateless, meaning each request from a client to the server must contain all the information needed to understand and process the request.
- **Interoperability:** By adhering to common standards, REST APIs allow different applications and systems to work together.
- **Performance:** It can leverage caching and other HTTP features to improve performance and reduce load.

### FAQ:

#### What are HTTP Request Types?

HTTP request types, also known as HTTP methods, define the type of action that the client wants to perform on a resource. The main types are:

1. **GET**: Retrieves data from a server. It's used to request a resource without modifying it. For example, fetching user details from a database.
2. **POST**: Submits data to be processed to a specified resource. It's often used to create new resources or submit form data. For example, submitting a new user registration form.
3. **PUT**: Updates an existing resource with new data. If the resource does not exist, it may create a new one. For example, updating user profile information.
4. **DELETE**: Removes a specified resource from the server. For example, deleting a user account.
5. **PATCH**: Applies partial modifications to a resource. Unlike PUT, which replaces the entire resource, PATCH only changes the specified fields. For example, updating just the email address of a user.
6. **HEAD**: Retrieves the headers of a resource, similar to GET, but without the actual resource data. It's often used to check if a resource has been modified.
7. **OPTIONS**: Describes the communication options for the target resource. It's used to determine the supported methods or functionalities of a resource.
8. **TRACE**: Echoes back the received request, mainly used for diagnostic purposes to see how the request is being handled by the server.

## Problem Statements:

**Creating and adding new book records in the book database using REST API.**

Help Link:


<https://stackabuse.com/building-a-rest-api-with-node-and-express/>

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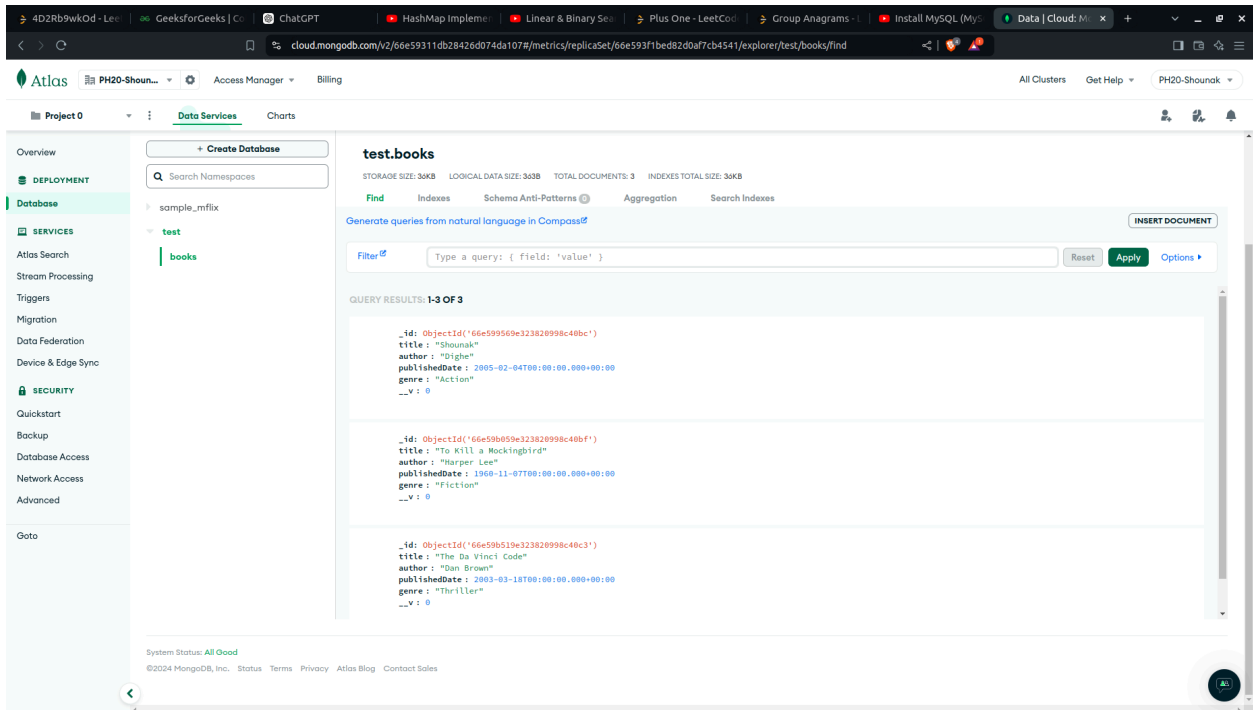
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The screenshot shows the MongoDB Atlas web interface. The left sidebar contains navigation options like Overview, DEPLOYMENT, Database, SERVICES, and SECURITY. The main panel displays the 'test.books' collection with 3 documents. The documents are as follows:

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server.js code

```
const express = require('express');
const mongoose = require('mongoose');
const bodyParser = require('body-parser');
const cors = require('cors');
const bookRoutes = require('./routes/books');

const app = express();

// Middleware
app.use(cors());
app.use(bodyParser.json());
app.use('/books', bookRoutes);

// Connect to MongoDB
```



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mongoose.connect('mongodb+srv://shounakdighe:<password>@shounakdighe.mnjgh
.mongodb.net/?retryWrites=true&w=majority&appName=ShounakDighe', {
  useNewUrlParser: true,
  useUnifiedTopology: true
});

mongoose.connection.on('connected', () => {
  console.log('Connected to MongoDB');
});

mongoose.connection.on('error', (err) => {
  console.log(`MongoDB connection error: ${err}`);
});

// Start the server
const PORT = process.env.PORT || 5000;
app.listen(PORT, () => {
  console.log(`Server is running on port ${PORT}`);
});
```